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SUBJ: PRE-LICENSE CHECK OF AIRCRAFT SALE: CASE NO. 074767

REF: (A) STATE 175343; (B) LOURENCO MARQUES 453

1. ALAR MANAGER NOT DIRECTLY AVAILABLE BECAUSE LEAVING FOR EUROPE. HOWEVER, SECRETARY CONTACTED HIM AND CONFIRMED THAT PURCHASE FIVE GRUMMANS INTENDED FOR RESALE TO LOCAL FLYING CLUBS, BUT WAS UNABLE SUPPLY PARTICULARS.

2. CIVIL AERONAUTICS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAYS THEY HAVE NOW APPROVED ALAR'S LAST PURCHASE OF 2 GRUMMANS FOR JOAO BELO FLYING CLUB (REF B), AND PRESUME THAT FURTHER PURCHASE CONCERNS SALES TO OTHER FLYING CLUBS FOR WHICH FORMAL APPLICATIONS HAVE NOT YET BEEN FILED. HE TOLD US COMMUNICATIONS SECRETARY IS ENCOURAGING FLYING CLUBS TO RENOVATE PRESENT OBSOLETE FLEETS (AUSTERS, ETC.) ON UNIFORM BASIS, IN ORDER TO STANDARDIZE TRAINING GIVEN TO FLYING CLUB PUPILS, BUT OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING PROGRAM TEMPORARILY OUT OF COUNTRY. SPOKESMAN PROMISES OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS THIS PROGRAM IN A FEW WEEKS AND WILL ADVISE US.

3. WE DO NOT HAVE CENSUS OF AIRCRAFT IN POSSESSION OF FLYING CLUBS, WHICH ARE QUITE POPULAR ALL OVER MOZAMBIQUE, BUT ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BASIS CASUAL OBSERVATION AT AIRFIELDS AND AIRSTRIPS PRESUME

THEM TO BE PRIMARILY LIGHT ONE-ENGINE PLANES OF LITTLE
POTENTIAL MILITARY VALUE. REPLACEMENT OF PRESENT FLEET WITH
GRUMMANS WOULD NOT APPEAR HAVE MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE BEYOND
POSSIBILITY OF UPGRADING BASIC FLYING SKILLS OF POTENTIAL
AIRFORCE RECRUITS.

4. REPLACEMENT PROJECT WOULD ENSURE SUBSTANTIAL US EXPORT
SALES. WHILE WE WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER THE SCOPE AND POSSIBLE
IMPLICATIONS THIS REPORTED PROJECT, WE HAVE NO OBJECTION
TO ISSUANCE OF EXPORT LICENSE IN THIS CASE.
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